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6 October 1955

**MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Richard M. Bissell, Jr., SA/PC/DCI**

**SUBJECT: Discussion on 26 September of NSC Action 12904**

You have already received a copy of a memorandum which DD/P addressed to DCI on October 3 to which was attached a rather long memorandum for the record, outlining the discussion held on September 26 between Messrs. Hoover, Hollister, Gray, A. Dulles, Wiener and Bundy on the 12904 exercise. As stated in DD/P's memorandum, he asked that a short form memorandum be prepared for submission to the other participants in the meeting, the short form omitting the detailed discussion and the points made by the various participants.

There is attached a draft of such a short form memorandum. DD/P has asked me to get your comments on it before it is submitted to the DCI. Since Gordon Gray has asked for a copy of the memorandum at the earliest possible date, I would appreciate it if I could have your comments promptly.

*Signed /*

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**Special Assistant to the Director**

cc: Mr. James Angleton, C/CI  
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Mr. William Bundy, Asst. to DD/I ✓

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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD**

**SUBJECT:** Informal discussion on 26 September 1955 of programs to strengthen internal security forces (NSC Action 1290d)

**PRESENT:** Under Secretary of State Hoover, DCI Allen Dulles, Asst. Secy. of Defense Gray, ICA Administrator Hollister, F. G. Wisner and W. P. Bundy (CIA)

1. The topics discussed were the method of proceeding with and the responsibility for carrying out programs for strengthening the police and internal security forces in countries threatened by communist subversion and "internal aggression", pursuant to NSC action 1290d.

2. A rough estimate of the cost of such programs in the eighteen countries considered by the 1290d Working Group was in the neighborhood of \$20,000,000, with approximately one-half the cost being applicable to military-type end items.

3. There was agreement as to the necessity and desirability of such programs. It was also agreed that the situations in the various countries involved were different so that no single pattern of operational responsibility could be applied to all.

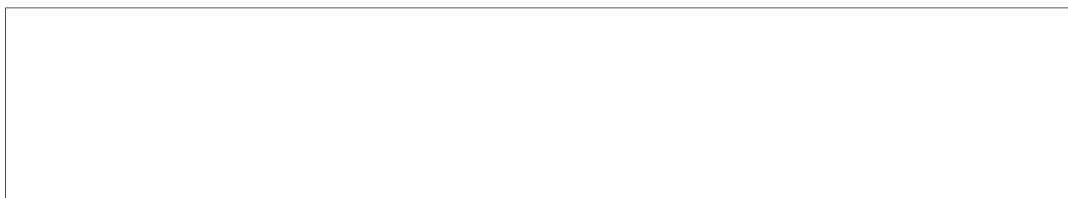
(a) In some countries, where there was already an established U. S. military mission, the

executive responsibility for carrying out a program for strengthening internal security forces might best be borne by Defense, perhaps through a mission separate from the MAAG (as in Iran). Such a separation of missions would arise out of the fact that the conventional military forces, with which the MAAG dealt, are primarily designed to protect against external aggression, while security forces deal with internal subversion and trouble-making.

(b) In a large number of countries, particularly where there is no U. S. military mission, arrangements could be better made as a civilian matter and the executive responsibility should be borne by ICA (as in Indonesia).

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(d) In all countries, the programs would have to be cooperative enterprises so far as the U. S. was concerned as State, Defense, ICA, USIA and CIA had contributions to make to the carrying out of the programs.

4. While funds now available to the interested departments and agencies had not been programmed for such use in an amount sufficient to carry out an over-all program of the size contemplated in the 1290d exercise, money could probably be reprogrammed by Defense and ICA to cover the necessary expenditures in this fiscal year. Such reprogramming should, however, be explained to Congressional leaders and their concurrence obtained.

5. The following points were agreed upon:

(a) Representatives of State, Defense, ICA and CIA should go over the list of the countries covered by the 1290d study, and the papers prepared in that connection, and agree promptly on:

(1) which department or agency should have primary operating responsibility

for the program in each country; and,

(2) how the financial burden should be shared as between the departments and agencies;

(b) The financing of the programs would be borne principally by ICA and Defense,

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Defense should probably finance the military-type equipment costs, which would probably be about 50% of the total costs.

(c) The departments and agencies concerned should, on the basis of the 1290d studies, prepare a clear and comprehensive series of operating programs. As soon as such programs are prepared, representatives of the departments and agencies concerned should approach key members of the appropriate Congressional committees and their concurrence obtained to the use of available funds for this purpose, without waiting for the FY '57 appropriations cycle.

(d) While the day-to-day carrying out of these programs will be the responsibility of the operating

levels of the respective agencies, a supervisory group should be formed, possibly at the Assistant Secretary or equivalent level, to supervise and coordinate the projects.

(e) Thought should be given to the problem of how, and by whom, various governments were to be told of the shift of emphasis by the U. S. away from aid for conventional military forces to aid for internal security forces.